

### **Executive Summary**

Master Plan for Aging State Agency Council Wednesday, February 22, 2023 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

### **Council Members and Representatives**

**Members Present Virtually:** Allison Gold, Ann Sullivan, Barbara Guinn, Brett Hebner, Elizabeth Cronin, Janet Ho, Kate Seaward, Kim Hill, Lindsay Fuller, Meghan Parker, Patricia Zuber-Wilson, Paul Beyer, Shirley Paul, Thomas Brooks

NYSDOH and NYSOFA Staff Present: Abbie Guisbond, Adam Herbst, Adrianna Haas, Alana Stelline, Alicia Saure, Amanda Lothrop, Andrew Lebwohl, Annette Highley, Brendan Boehm, Bret Smith, Carol Rodat, Ciara Breslin, Colleen Scott, Daniel Hammond, Eleanor Goodman, Emily Palmiero, Emily Steinbach, Heidi Hayes, Jennifer Alhart, John Hartigan, Judy Coyne, Kaitlyn Earle, Karen Meier, Karen Landry, Karisa Capone, Kate Smith, Kate Seaward, Kerrin Moon, Kristin Ilacqua, Lisa Weber, Mark Furnish, Mark Schweitzer, Michael Gunn, Sean O'Keefe, Suzanne Kuon, Tianna Pettinger, Ursula Bauer, Valerie Deetz

NYSTEC Staff Present: Fatima Hussain, Piper Novicki, Sarah Doody, Sarah Goff

#### Introduction

The State Agency Council convened on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 2023 to discuss the:

- I. Common priorities across government, private and not-for-profit stakeholders
- II. Aging and long-term care landscape
- III. State Agency Council Charter
  - a. The Master Plan report roadmap 2023
  - b. The path ahead for the State Agency Council, Stakeholder Advisory Committee, subcommittees, and the workgroups.
  - c. Workgroups
- IV. Public engagement
- V. Next steps

#### **Common Priorities**

The follow priorities were highlighted:

- I. Affordable and accessible housing
- II. Economic Security
- III. Disadvantaged communities
- IV. Assistance for caregivers
- V. Technology access and design
- VI. Public/private partnerships
- VII. Social isolation
- VIII. The importance of Demographics



- IX. Diverse population requires diverse solutions
- X. Sustainability

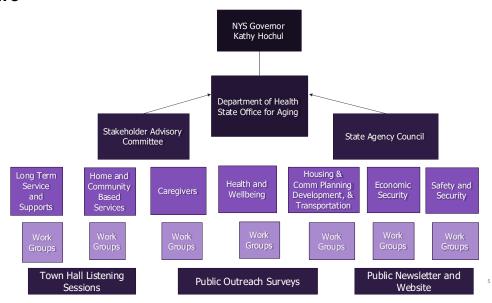
## Aging and Long-term Care Landscape

This landscape report was developed by Adam Herbst, Deputy Commissioner on Aging & Longterm Care, in partnership with health and aging related agencies to summarize the committees, taskforces and initiatives that are currently in place, including the dollar amounts associated with each. A working draft was circulated to the State Agency Council to include the capacity to which their agencies play a role in aging and long-term care services and supports including policies, programs, and initiatives at the local, state, and federal level. This will ensure that as the Master Plan process moves forward it is informed by the resources and assets that are already available within the system.

This document will also be used to identify the gaps in aging and long-term care services that need to be addressed.

A finalized version will be shared publicly to create an understanding of the work that the Master Plan will build off of.

#### **Structure**



This structure will allow for every aspect of aging and long-term care needs to be addressed. The Council will provide the current landscape, the Committee will inform the state with their expertise and the two will work together to develop the recommendations through the subcommittees. It is also essential to ensure that people outside of the Council, Committee and Subcommittees, including the public are heard via town hall listening sessions and surveys to inform the recommendations.



## **Stakeholder Advisory Council Charter**

#### I. The Master Plan Report Roadmap 2023

Outreach to the chairs and co-chairs of the subcommittees and workgroups is occurring. A meeting will be scheduled to ensure the benchmarks are achieved.

## **MASTER PLAN REPORT ROADMAP 2023**

March	April	May	June	
Weeks 1-4: Subcommittees and working groups begin meeting	Weeks 1-2: Working groups establish list of challenges to address & identify areas of overlap with each other and across	Week 1: Subcommittees compile a report on working group progress  Week 2: Subcommittees set 2-3 focus areas for	Week 1: Working groups report progress to subcommittees Weeks 2-3: Subcommittees	
Weeks 1-4: Subcommittees and working groups identify existing programs in their areas	subcommittees  Weeks 3-4: Working groups build out a list of potential challenges to focus on, add details to center on specific, solvable problems	working groups  Weeks 3-4: Working groups begin developing specific descriptions of challenges to be addressed	compile working group & subcommittee work products into one comprehensive report Week 4: Editing and Review	

#### II. The Path Ahead



The July preliminary report will identify priorities and will be organized by the subcommittees and workgroups. The report will also set the agenda and workplan for the next year of deliberations.

The State Agency Council will meet quarterly. Their role is to connect the Master Plan concepts to existing programs, provide data/analytical support for process, and translate the reports into actionable policy recommendations. They will also keep the timeline in mind to ensure the reports are distributed on time.

The role of the Stakeholder Advisory Committee is to facilitate collaboration to prevent silos, hold subcommittees/workgroups accountable, provide a forum for discussing progress and



challenges, review and approve final reports, ensure big picture/operations alignment, and commit to meeting attendance for two years. The Committee should ensure that diversity, equity and inclusion is a focal point of all of their discussions.

Subcommittees will be underway in the coming weeks. They are tasked with establishing workgroups, driving the cadence of workflow, and guiding the workgroup outcomes. The subcommittees also should identify more potential workgroups as necessary.

Workgroups will identify the specific challenges, match challenges to the existing landscape, identify solutions and draft policy proposals over the course of the next year.

### III. Currently Identified Work groups

Subcommittees								
Health and Wellness	Long-Term Services and Supports	Housing/ Community Development	Economic Security	Safety and Security	Caregivers March June	Home & Community Based Services		
Work Groups								
Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Disorders	Palliative Care and Hospice	Housing  Age Friendly  Communities	Ageism  Workforce  Training  Entitlements	Community Safety Elder Abuse & Exploitation	Pipeline Supports (Formal & Informal)	Rural Access		
Mental/ Behavioral Health		Transportation	Entitlements	Advocacy & Guardianship Technology				
Addiction Nutrition								

#### **Discussion**

Following the presentation, comments, concerns, and questions were addressed regarding representation on the Stakeholder Advisory Committee, contemporaneous projects (e.g., MISCC), inclusion of external stakeholders, and subcommittee logistics.

## **Public Engagement**

Public engagement will occur throughout the process, with town halls and remote listening sessions beginning in early summer. This will also give an opportunity for everyone to work with external partners. A provider survey and public survey will be distributed. The provider survey will seek input from local government officials, including local Area Agencies on Aging, community-based providers, county public health officials, New York State Department of Health regional office staff, as well as their system partners and networks.



# **Next Steps**

Ahead of the next State Agency Council meeting, members were asked to consider the following:

- I. How do subcommittees collaborate on crosscutting issues?
- II. How can the State Agency Council help the subcommittees stay on track?

The next meeting of the State Agency Council will be held in the second quarter of 2023.